



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
Hirotaka YOSHIDA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 9154  
Application No.: 10/786,160 : Group Art Unit: 2134  
Filed: February 26, 2004 : Examiner: Y. A. Bayou  
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For: MESSAGE-AUTHENTICATED ENCRYPTION APPARATUS OR DECRYPTION  
APPARATUS FOR COMMON-KEY CIPHER

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following amendment and remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action mailed  
September 28, 2007.

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